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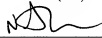
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SECONDARY COMPRESSION  
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## AMENDMENT

**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

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Dear Sir:

The present amendment and remarks are in response to the Office Action dated April 13, 2007. Please amend the above-referenced patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** are reflected on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.